grade one. So, when the second grade Head Constable is promoted it is not actually by overlooking the claims of the first grade Head Constable. The first grade Head Constable also can become Inspector if he proves that he is fit for the post.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : A point for consideration Sir. I do not want the general policy. I want to know whether in this particular case of appointing a second grade Head Constable, the Commissioner overlooked the claims of first grade Head Constable.

PRESIDENT : In a word, whether the claims of the first grade Head Constable also were considered.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): Yes, Sir. That is what I mean.

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): A point of order, Sir. Does that question arise at all in the case of specific men and their promotion ?

PRESIDENT : This is the first time Mr. Aiyangar, that you raise such a point of order after having had so much experience. The member wants information about a particular appointment you made and it is quite legitimate for him to ask such a question in view of the fact that whenever acting promotions are made they are made both from the second grade and the first grade Constables. Of course you use your own discretion.

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): I do what is best to be done.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : May I know what were the reasons which weighed with him to over-look the claims of the first grade Head Constables ?

PRESIDENT : I don't think that it will be to the interest of the man concerned if questions regarding inefficiency are answered on the floor of this House, and I don't expect the Commissioner to say that A was bad, C was corrupt and so on. It is in the interest of the service itself that no such questions should be asked.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : May I know, what was the special qualification of Mr. Rama Rao to choose him in preference to all the first grade Head Constables ?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Polic*) : That is assuming a proposition, Sir. I have not said anywhere that he has been promoted over all the first grade Head Constables. It is an hypothetical question. I don't say that the assumption is wrong but there is nothing to assume.

Resident Medical Officer, General Hospital.

123. *MR. V. T. CHACKO (*Muvattupuzha I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Resident Medical Officer of the General Hospital is allowed to have any private practice ;

(*b*) whether he is in charge of the stock-room of the out-patients' department ;

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(*c*) whether the present Darbar Physician has taken the R. M. O. outside Trivandrum when he went on inspection duty and, if so, who was attending to the duties of the R. M. O. during his absence; and

(*d*) whether any T. A. or daily allowance was given to the R. M. O. while he was outside Trivandrum?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): (*a*) He is not forbidden from having private practice.

(*b*) There is no stock-room in the General Hospital specially for the out-patient department. There is a stock-room for the whole Hospital and the Resident Medical Officer is in charge of it subject to the control and supervision of the officer in charge.

(*c*) No: not when the Darbar Physician went on inspection duty. He took the R. M. O. with him once in December 1933 when he went to Vanchithara to enquire about the outbreak of an epidemic of dysentery, and to Mavelikara on another occasion to examine the mental condition of a patient of the local hospital. Assistant Surgeon Mr. V. R. Narayanan Nair was attending to the duties of the R. M. O. during the absence of the latter.

(*d*) Daily allowance in the first case and none in the other case.

MR. V. T CHACKO (*Muvattupuzha I*): May I know the period during which the R. M. O. is not expected in the General Hospital?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): The time before was 5 to 7. Now it is 11 to 5.

MR. V. T. CHACKO (*Muvattupuzha I*): May I know the reason for this change?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): Not heard.

MR. V. T. CHACKO (*Muvattupuzha I*): I want to know the reason for the change.

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): As I have already stated, the Resident Medical Officer can now be away from the hospital between 5 and 8. One cannot have a person on duty twenty-four hours a day, and three hours off a day is not too much.

MR. V. T. CHACKO (*Muvattupuzha I*): What is the reason, please? I want the reason for the change.

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): It has already been given.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know from the member whether there is any special reason for giving daily allowance to the R. M. O.?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): The Resident Medical Officer either gets travelling allowance or a daily allowance as do all Government servants.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): In case the R. M. O. is not forbidden to have private practice why should he be allowed daily allowance?

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MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darar Physician*): He does not get the daily allowance if he is travelling.

MR K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know whether it is one of the functions of the R. M. O. to go out of the General Hospital to attend patients?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): I think the matter is entirely left to the discretion of the Darbar Physician.

The London Mission Community and the Registration Department.

124. * MISS HEPZIBAH GNANASIKAMONY (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of men and women, from the London Mission Community, employed as Head Clerks in the Registration Department at present (15-11-1934)?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): None.

MISS. HEPZIBAH GNANASIKAMONY (*Nominated*): May I know whether there were any applications for the head clerkship from the members of the London Mission Community?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Government have not received any application. I do not know whether the Director has.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): What does the member understand by the term London Mission Community in South Travancore?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That means the London Mission Christians. In South Travancore there are, besides the London Mission Christians, Protestants, Catholics and Christians of other denominations.

MR. N. JOHN JOSEPH (*Nominated*): ലണ്ടൻമിഷൻ സഭയിൽ ഉൾപ്പെട്ടവരെ ഒരു സമുദായക്കാർ എന്നു പറയുന്നതു് എങ്ങിനെയാണു്?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): ഇപ്പോൾ ഗവണ്മെൻറു സ്വീകരിച്ചിരിക്കുന്ന പദ്ധതി അനുസരിച്ചു ലണ്ടൻമിഷൻ ക്രസ്ത്യാനികളെ ഒരു പ്രത്യേകസമുദായമായിട്ടാണു പരിഗണിച്ചുവരുന്നതു്.

MR. N. JOHN JOSEPH (*Nominated*): ലണ്ടൻമിഷൻ സഭയിൽ ചേർന്നിരിക്കുന്ന ആളുകൾ പല സമുദായങ്ങളിലും ഉൾപ്പെട്ടവരാണെന്നും ഹിന്ദുക്കളുടെയിടയിലുള്ളതുപോലുള്ള ജാതിവ്യത്യാസം ഈ സഭയിൽ ചേർന്നിട്ടുള്ള ആളുകളുടെയിടയിൽ ഉണ്ടെന്നുമുള്ള പരമാർത്ഥം ഗവണ്മെൻറിനറിയാമോ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): ഒരു സമുദായമെന്നുവച്ചാൽ അതിൻറെ അർത്ഥമെന്താണെന്നുകൂടി ഇവി

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